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Katie Kelly, a sophomore guard, scored 14 points in the women's basketball team's loss to Alabama over Spring Break. The team lost in the second round of the Women's National Invitational Tournament, ending their season. Read the story. **B6**

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PR office gets new director

By SARAH HEANEY
Managing editor

A Lexington-Herald Leader editor has been named Eastern's new director of communications. Ami Piccirilli, Bluegrass communities editor, was named to the position earlier this week. Her first day on the job will be April 15.

Piccirilli grew up in Louisville and obtained a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Iowa in 1990. She lives in Lexington with her husband, Todd.

Immediately after graduating college, Piccirilli began working at the Lexington Herald-Leader on the copy desk. After four years at that position she worked in the creative services division of the newspapers, writing ad copy and special sections.

Piccirilli left the Herald-Leader for one year to work as editor at a travel magazine. She returned, and has been working at the newspaper in her current position for three years.

The director of communications position was vacated after President Joanne Glasser named Ron Harrell to the new position of vice president of public relations. There were 73 applicants for the position.

Piccirilli is looking forward to joining the public relations division at Eastern.

"It just seems like a really good atmosphere," Piccirilli said. "In my position here (at the Herald) I've dealt a lot with that staff and have been very impressed with them and with the new president."

Piccirilli will be making \$60,000 annually. She was notified of her hiring via a letter mailed March 21, and her acceptance letter was received Sunday.

Grand jury to hear case

By SARAH HEANEY
Managing editor

An embezzlement case involving a former Eastern secretary is headed to a Madison County grand jury after her lawyer waived the right to a preliminary hearing in district court yesterday.

Chae Lee Dennis, 26, Waco, was arrested on Jan. 9 and charged with embezzling more than \$15,000 from the College of Business and Technology. Dennis had been an Eastern employee since 1997 and was the college's senior secretary for just over a year when the arrest was made.

According to the arrest citation, the money was charged to a university credit card in the form of goods, services and money. The citation also alleged Dennis forged payroll vouchers.

Dennis pleaded not guilty to the charge of embezzlement on Jan. 16 via video arraignment in Madison County District Court.

Assistant director of Public Safety Wynn Walker said he does yet know the date of the grand jury hearing and will be notified by the commonwealth attorney once the hearing is scheduled.

SGA gives groups \$37,500

By JENNIFER ROGERS
Editor

In a marathon meeting Tuesday, the Student Senate gave away nearly all of \$37,500 it had available for student organizational funding requests.

Under changes enacted by the Student Government Association's new shared governance structure, the Senate will only be allotting \$50,000 annually to student organizations. The Senate previously had \$60,000 to work with; that amount was reduced to help fund a clerical staff position for the SGA office next year.

Under the rules for organizational funding, the Senate allots 75 percent, or \$37,500, to organizations' requests for funding to be used next academic year, becoming available to organizations July 1 with the beginning of the fiscal year. The remaining 25 percent, \$12,500, is held for "interim" requests that won't be decided upon until next year.

The Senate had to repeatedly strike items from organizations' requests; groups had asked for over \$78,000, more than 200 percent of what the SGA could give away.

The only group not funded was the Student Recreation Council, which had requested \$5,088 to spend on laptop computers, printers and a digital camera. The Senate decided that the SRC could get funding for those items by applying for part of the \$100,000 generated from student technology fees, which is given out to applicants annually.

The Senate allotted \$37,210.96 to groups, short of the \$37,500 total. The remaining money will be carried over and used in addition to the 25 percent reserved for interim requests.

The organizational funding process began this year, with a total of \$60,000 for student groups. The Senate gave away \$30,000 each semester this year in response to requests.

Early on in the process, the Senate's Finance Committee was responsible for going through each of the requests and deciding which groups

should receive funding. But after the work load got heavy, Student Government President Nick Bertram halted the procedure for over a month of review.

As a result, the procedure changed. Now, after groups apply, the finance committee checks to make sure they comply with all the requirements and then forwards the requests directly to the Senate, which either approves — in part or whole — or denies the requests.

Groups must provide detailed lists of their expenses. Any money they don't use goes back to the Senate.

Money Bags

The Student Senate had a total of \$37,500 to give to student organizations for next year. The extra \$290 they did not give away will roll over into a fund for interim requests. Here are the groups the Senate funded:

Adam Smith Economic Society	\$116.46
Barrister's Society	\$3,655.50
Campus Crusade for Christ	\$5,250
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship	\$3,050
EKU Judo Club	\$1,335
Middle School Association	\$1,800
Women's Rugby Club	\$2,300
Society for Advancement of Management	\$1,630
Zephora Winter Guard	\$1,049
Collegiate, Black and Christian	\$3,000
ESSA	\$1,364
EKU Greens	\$1,100
EKU Ice Hockey	\$7,450
Men's Rugby Club	\$4,111
Total Amount Allotted	\$37,210.96

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Changing the face of SGA

Board OKs reorganization

By JENNIFER ROGERS
Editor

The Student Government Association has changed. By a unanimous vote late Tuesday morning, the Board of Regents approved the SGA's shared governance proposal.

The Board also approved the necessary changes to the SGA's constitution in order to accommodate the new structure, which consists of four major bodies: the Student Senate, the Student Activities Council, the Residence Life Council and the Student Court.

The act does away with the organizations currently known as the Residence Hall Association, Centerboard and First Weekend committees. Instead, those duties will be taken over by the two SGA councils.

The entire student body will be responsible for electing the Student Body President and Executive Vice President as a slate. Students will also elect a Vice President for Student Activities and a Vice President of Residence Life.

In addition, students will select Student Senators. Members of student organizations will elect two representatives from each major student organization category, and campus residents will elect one non-staff resident from each residence hall, an alternate non-voting resident and a resident assistant from each hall to serve on the Residence Life Council.

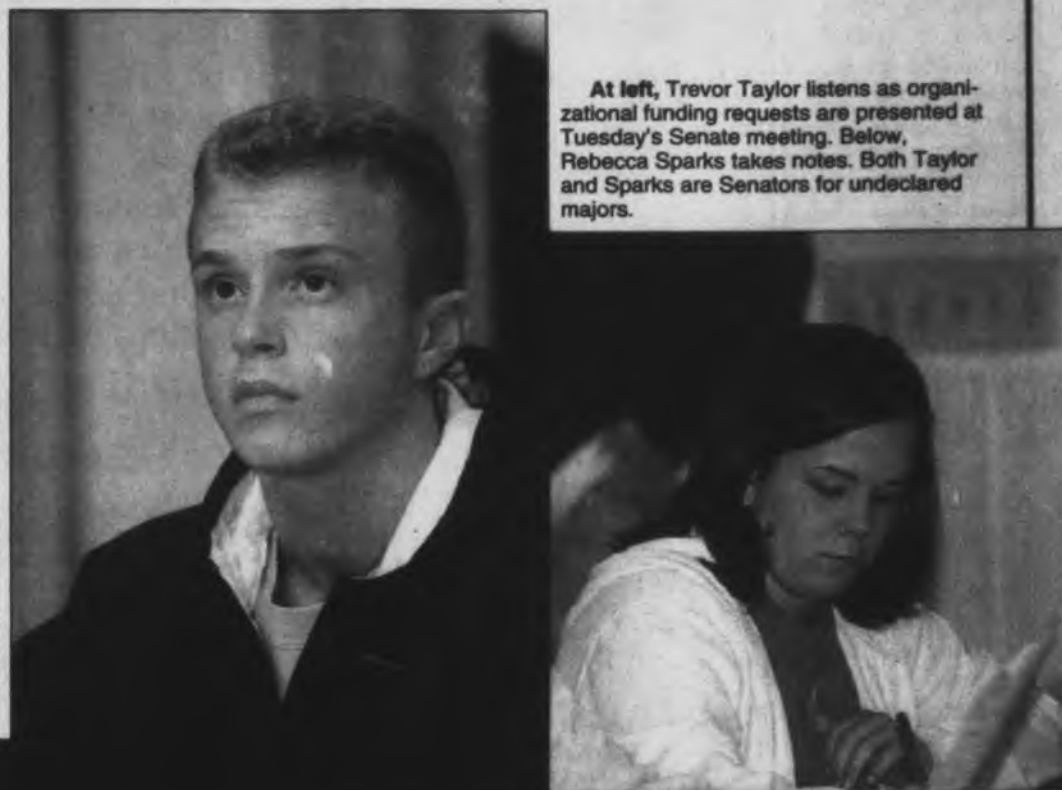
Those elections are scheduled for April 16, and applications to run for any of the positions are due by April 2, when a mandatory meeting for all candidates is scheduled.

SGA President Nick Bertram, who guided the changes through all stages of approval, said that the new SGA

See SGA, A10

Above, Jackie Leach watches as other cabinet members give their reports Tuesday. Leach serves as the Minority Affairs chair.

Senators on this page all hold positions that will be eliminated next year under the new shared governance proposal passed by the Board Tuesday. Committee chairs' duties will be assumed by other Senate committees; the undeclared Senator positions are thought to be unnecessary since the Senate now allows freshman representatives.



At left, Trevor Taylor listens as organizational funding requests are presented at Tuesday's Senate meeting. Below, Rebecca Sparks takes notes. Both Taylor and Sparks are Senators for undeclared majors.



Above, Daniel Logsdon, the Senate's Ethics Committee chair, takes roll during the meeting. At left, Sarah Underwood, the community service chair, waits to give her weekly report.

SGA Elections

When: April 16

Where: online or in the Powell Building

Photos by Steve Richardson/Progress

Regents approve raise in premiums

By JENNIFER ROGERS
Editor

At a special meeting by conference call March 15, the Board of Regents approved raising insurance premiums to meet anticipated cost increases of approximately 15 percent over the cost of premiums currently charged.

Data given to a university committee of faculty and staff on health insurance by the insurance consulting firm Neace Lukens indicates that premium costs will increase by 15 percent for the 2002-2003 year. The rise is primarily due to overall increases in medical costs.

In response to the increases, the Board unanimously approved maintaining the same plan options and coverages as in the current year: Blue Access High Option, Blue Access Low Option and Blue Access Preferred Primary-HMO, all provided through Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Kentucky.

The cost of premiums will increase the necessary 15 percent; university paid premiums will increase 14.65 percent, costing Eastern \$879,000 to be covered in the upcoming institutional budget.

As a result of the increases, employees with current annual salaries of \$13,000 will see a net decrease of \$10 in their paycheck. That decrease lessens and eventually disappears as employees are paid more; employees paid \$22,359 now won't see a net

change in their paycheck.

Under the university's health insurance system, Eastern pays the full cost of single coverage for each option. Any family coverage is picked up by employees.

Family coverage was one of the concerns of Regent Jane Boyer, who wanted to ensure that employees' children were insured.

"I get very upset at the idea of any of the children of our employees being uninsured," Boyer said.

But Board Chair Fred Rice said that over 80 percent of the plans are single plans, telling him that most families are getting their insurance from spouse's coverage plans.

The committee plans to review the insurance options in the upcoming year.

More Board action...

On March 15 the Board also approved this Spring's commencement speaker, a nationally-known journalist. Find out who will give Eastern's seniors their final lecture. See page A10.

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► Weather



TODAY
Hi: 61
Low: 45
Conditions:
Partly cloudy

FRI Partly cloudy
SAT Rain
SUN Mostly cloudy

Reminder

■ Schedule books for the Fall 2002 semester come out this week. Summer schedules are already out.

The following professional licenses will be affected should House Bill 296 go into effect:

Attorneys
Alcohol and drug counselors
Professional art therapists
Podiatrists
Dietitians
Nutritionists
Osteopaths
Chiropractors
Dentists
Dental hygienists
Registered nurses
Advanced registered nurse practitioners
Licenses practical nurses
Renewal of license to practice nursing
Pharmacists
Embalmers and funeral directors
Psychologists
Occupational therapists
Optometrists
Veterinarians
Veterinary technologists
Professional engineers
Professional geologists
Architects
Certified public accountants
Physical therapists
Speech-language pathologists or audiologists
Licensed social workers
Certified social workers
Licensed clinical social workers
Renewal of social worker licenses
Marriage and family therapists
Professional counselors

Bill could revoke some pro licenses

By SARAH HEANEY
Managing editor

Students who default on their student loans may face more than just a bad credit history. The Kentucky legislature is considering a bill that will deny professional and occupational licenses to former students who aren't paying back what they owe.

House Bill 296, sponsored by Barbara Colter, R-Manchester, has already passed the House and is on its way to the Senate.

The bill will require state agencies to deny licenses to a number of professionals if they default on student loans administered by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority.

The KHEAA administers the unsubsidized and subsidized Stafford loans, Federal Family educational loan program, parent plus loans and consolidation loans.

The law would affect the licensing of over 30 different professions, ranging from lawyers and doctors to engineers and funeral directors.

In addition, the bill will require the Kentucky Lottery Corp. to check all winners against a list of borrowers who have defaulted on student loans. If a match is made, the owed money will be subtracted from lottery winnings.

Karyn Yates, Eastern's Stafford loan coordinator, is surprised the law isn't already on the books.

"Why should Kentucky allow someone to be licensed in their profession," Yates said, "When federal and state government has given you money to help you reach this professional goal and you haven't made any payments, gone into default on your loan, and now you want us to license you too?"

Yates said a person has defaulted on their student loan when after the six month grace period after leaving school the person has gone 270 days with-



"This would be like you going and charging groceries and you don't ever pay them back."

—Barbara Colter
R-Manchester

out making a payment. During this period, the loan company will be trying to contact the borrower through phone calls and letters.

After a loan is considered defaulted, KHEAA will buy the loan from the lender. KHEAA is a guarantee agency that makes sure loan agencies will get their money. Then KHEAA is in charge of getting payment from the borrower.

At Eastern, the loan default rate has fallen a great deal over the past few years. In 1995 the default rate was 16 percent and in 1999, the latest official figure, the rate was only 4.9 percent. The estimated default rate for 2000 is around 5.3 percent.

KHEAA has improved its collection on defaulted student loans so that it rates eighth in the nation on loan collection. It

ranked 15th in 2000.

"Default rates hurt the school, hurt the student the most, hurt the lender and they hurt the guarantee agency," Yates said.

Yates said she was surprised that so many go into default on student loans. She said lenders are often willing to work with students to decrease monthly payments. Also, there are many options like forbearance and deferments for medical emergencies, difficulty finding a job and even for new mothers who wish to spend a year at home instead of working.

Yates said Eastern does not collect the loan payments but that her office deals with educating students about their rights and obligations when taking out a student loan. Students are required to go through loan entrance and exit counseling.

Also, every month different guarantee agencies send lists of defaulted Eastern borrowers to the financial aid office. Letters are sent to students on the list.

"The list we get from KHEAA is monstrous," Yates said.

Barbara Colter, sponsor of HB 296, said she received a report from Washington that showed there were millions of dollars students were missing out on for scholarships and grants because of all the outstanding student loans.

"We have students who can't go to college because we run out of grant money and education money we could loan," Colter said. "This will put it back in their hands."

Colter also said that people who go to school and graduate as professionals are not being taught about obligations if the state allows them not to repay their loans.

"This would be like you going and charging groceries and you don't ever pay them back," Colter said. "Then the grocer won't be able to keep his store open because he's going to owe more than he has coming in."



Nick Bertram, SGA President, far left, and Ferrell Wellman, a broadcasting professor, far right, participate in the moment of silence March 13.

Society honors Pearl's memory

PROGRESS STAFF REPORT

Eastern's student chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists stood in a silent circle as the campus bells rang 51 times signaling the number of journalists who lost their lives in 2001.

SPJ hosted a candle-lit vigil March 13 at the center of campus in remembrance of Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl and other journalists who died in the line of duty during the past two years. A group of eight students and faculty discussed the sacrifices journalists make fighting for the public's right to know.

SPJ President Jamie Vinson organized the event in an effort to create campus awareness about the significance of the role of the media. Vinson said she hopes those who attended now have a better understanding of why journalists need access to information.

"I think we tend to disregard what our lives would be like without newspapers, radio or television," Vinson said. "The vigil was a way for us to stop and think about why we need 'watchdogs' in our society. It also gave campus a chance to pay tribute to the hundreds of journalists who risk their lives each day to inform, educate and make our lives better."

Sarah Heaney, an SPJ student member, said freedom of information not only is important during

war times, but also "on college campuses, and small and large towns alike."

"People need to know what is going on and how it is affecting them," Heaney said. "The vigil really hit home when the bells started chiming and I realized each peal represented the entire life of a journalist, someone a lot like me who died for the same beliefs I hold."

"This makes you admire journalists and their sacrifices a little bit more," Student Government Association President Nick Bertram said. "Journalists provide information that even leaders need."

Ferrell Wellman, a communications professor and SPJ chapter advisor, provided two leather bound books to be signed by members of the Eastern community. Signatures will be gathered throughout March (FOI month) and will be sent to Mariane Pearl (Daniel's widow) once filled.

"I thought it might be something nice for Mrs. Pearl to pick up years later and know that a regional university hundreds of miles away could appreciate her husband's work and his dedication," Wellman said.

Also in attendance were Faculty Adviser Libby Fraas and student members Jennifer Rogers, Gina Vaile and Cassandra Kirby.

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Student wins pageant honors

By GINA VAILE
News editor

Looking at her picture, she looks like any other beauty queen: Gleaming eyes, beautiful hair and a smile from ear to ear, adorning the crown atop her head.

But the crown that sits atop the head of Amanda Jones is more than a trophy of a pageant well done. It is a key — one that she hopes unlocks the door to her future and possibly opens the door to the future of others.

February 22, 2002 is a night that the 20-year-old sophomore will never forget. "That's the night I won Miss Deaf Kentucky," she signed to an interpreter.

Jones entered the pageant after friends from the Kentucky School for the Deaf encouraged her to run. She viewed it as a good opportunity and a fun experience. Jones said she believed it was the perfect opportunity to "become a leader in the deaf community."

The Progress first met Jones in January when she introduced us to a day in the life of her non-hearing world. Now, nearly four months later, she is hoping to make a large impact in the deaf and hard of hearing community.

Jones said entering the pageant was a last minute decision. "Some other contestants were very nervous, me too," she signed. "I focused on remaining positive. I feel that the other contestants did a good job as well."

She and four other contestants participated in talent, platform and gown portions of the pageant. A formal interview was conducted during the gown portion.

"I used my signs to sing a song," Jones signed.

Her platform, an informative discussion on cochlear implants, is a very controversial subject facing the deaf community. In order to present all sides of the subject, Jones interviewed people from the deaf and hearing community to get different perspectives on the relatively new implant that allows children who are born deaf the ability to hear.

"I disagree with parents being able to decide," she said of a parent's right to have the cochlear implanted behind the child's ear.

The National Association of the Deaf, the organization that sponsors the Miss Deaf America Pageant, maintains a position that the cochlear implant is not appro-

priate for all deaf and hard of hearing people.

Jones got the idea for her platform after one of her friends described how she felt isolated because of her implant. Jones said her friend took the implant out because she had unintelligible speech and she never mastered sign or speaking with the implant.

"They lose their identity," she signed, speaking of some of the people who get implants.

“
Now that I've won, it has given me a lot more self-confidence.”

—Amanda Jones
Miss Deaf Kentucky

Jones hopes to take her platform on the road and will use it in the Miss Deaf America pageant in Washington DC this July when she meets 30 other Miss Deaf America contestants. She says the thought of a large crowd and more contestants is a scary thought.

However, her nervous

thoughts are settled in the back of her mind for now. She is working hard to fundraise for her trip to Washington DC this summer. She also has goals to meet with school and government officials to discuss issues that deal with the deaf community.

If she wins Miss Deaf America, Jones says she would like to travel around the country with her same platform and talk with deaf school children about what faces them in their lives.

Working with children is something that Jones enjoys and something that comes easy for her. She traveled to Kyrgyzstan, a small country near Afghanistan, last summer to help teach children morals and to work with them on their Russian Sign Language.

Jones knows English, American and Russian sign language as well as English and Russian written language. She likes to meet new people and says being in the Miss Deaf Kentucky Pageant has allowed her the opportunity to meet more people and help meet the needs of more people.

Jones said she was extremely happy when she won her title, but says if she hadn't won, that would be all right too. "Before the competition I would say no, but now that I've won, it has given me a lot more self confidence," she signed.

When asked what her friends would say her best quality is, she simply shrugged and said, "Well, I can't predict someone else's opinion. I think they would say I have good morals, I'm a good leader and



Photo submitted

Amanda Jones, from Danville, won Miss Deaf Kentucky Honors in February. For her part of the talent competition, she signed a song.



Gina Vaile/Progress

Amanda Jones signed to her roommate, Stephanie Martin, earlier this semester. Jones said winning the pageant gave her more confidence.

good role model."

She keeps her crown in her apartment at home in Danville but her self confidence she carries with her. When asked what she would do if she won Miss Deaf America, Jones simply stated, "Well, I am a college student so I will continue

my education."

As she completes her college education at Eastern, she doesn't want other students to think of her differently because she is deaf. "Do I feel sorry for myself? No, I'm deaf and that's who I am and I don't feel sorry for myself."

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Two events focus on Women's History

The Eastern Community celebrates March as Women's History Month with several events for students and faculty members.

"Out of Kenya: A Discussion of Women's Issues," given by Dr. Isabelle White, director of ECU women's studies program. The event will take place today at 12:30 p.m. in the Faculty Dining Room.

Art Exhibit and Book Signing from various women artists and writers will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. March 30 at the Richmond Area Arts Center. Also at the RAAC on Saturday will be a performance by Raison D'Etre, a vocal trio.

Tickets are \$5 and \$4 for students and senior citizens.

Call 622-2913 for more information about the programs.

Prospective student reception held tonight

A regional reception will be held in Prestonsburg today for prospective students and their families from Eastern Kentucky.

The event is from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. at the Mountain Arts Center. All prospective students, including high school and community college students and non-traditional students and their families are invited. Refreshments will be served and a drawing for a \$500 book scholarship is to be given to a current high school senior who will attend Eastern this fall.

For more information, call the admissions office toll-free at 800-465-9191 or visit www.eku.edu.

21st education job fair at UK this afternoon

The 21st annual Kentucky Teachers Network education job fair/career day will be held today at the University of Kentucky.

Eastern Kentucky University, Morehead State University, Kentucky State University, and the University of Kentucky will host this event from 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m. at UK's Student Center.

No pre-registration is required for students and alumni. Any sophomore or junior wishing to attend may do so.

Group to quit smoking has free meetings

The Cooper/Clayton Smoking Cessation Group has proven a success in helping to quit smoking and remain non-smokers for life. This program was created by an ex-smoker and has proven to be over 90% successful for those who are regular in attendance.

The group meetings are free of charge and are held on Thursdays from 7 p.m.-8 p.m. The meetings take place in the hospital conference room on the first floor of Patti A. Clay Regional Medical Center. The next meeting begins tonight.

For more information, call the Madison County Health Department at 623-7312.

Civil War Round Table to meet tomorrow

The meeting for the Madison County Civil War Round Table will be held at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Board of Regents Dining Room of the Powell Building.

After dinner, there will be a program by Dr. Andy Harnack on "Myth of the Lost Cause."

The meeting is open to anyone but reservations must be made. To make reservations call 859-624-2760.

Weapons presentation at Union Church April 4

A presentation on the nuclear weapons activities taking place south of Berea at the Dept. of Energy's Y-12 facility will be given by Paloma Galindo of the Oak Ridge Environmental Peace Alliance.

The presentation will take place on April 4th from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Union Church Community Room.

Motor Fitness Clinic at Telford YMCA April 5

An open house for the Special Motor Fitness Clinic will be held from 6 p.m.-7 p.m. April 5 at the Telford YMCA. The open house is being held for ECU faculty, parents of children now enrolled in the program and any parents interested in enrolling their child in future clinics.

Refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact Dr. Louisa DeBolt at 859-622-1891.

Broadcaster Roberts reschedules talk

Robin Roberts, sports broadcaster, has rescheduled her talk "Women and Sports" for April 8 at 7:30 p.m.

The event will take place in Brock Auditorium and is part of the Eastern Women's Studies year-long series on the subject.

The event is free and open to the public.

EKU-sponsored blood drive in Powell in April

Eastern Kentucky University will sponsor a blood drive on April 9th and 10th from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Powell Building Lobby.

For more information contact Loretta Robinson at 1-800-775-2522.

Regional reception in Elizabethtown April 9

A regional reception will be held in Elizabethtown on Tuesday April 9 for prospective students and their families from Hardin and nearby counties.

The event will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Pritchard Community Center. All prospective students, including high school and community college students and non-traditional students and their families, are invited. Refreshments will be served

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Final Spotlight of year scheduled for April 13

The final Spotlight Day of the academic year is April 13 from 9 a.m. to noon in Alumni Coliseum. No pre-registration is necessary.

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KHEAA offering work-study state programs

The Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) is offering a state-funded work-study program to Kentuckians who need help paying for college.

Students interested in taking advantage of this opportunity should contact the KHEAA work study coordinator in the Coates Building.

For more information about KHEAA programs and services call 800-928-8926 extension 7381 or visit www.kheaa.com

Childhood development workers can get money

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Recipients must be enrolled in no more than nine hours in an academic period and must agree to a service commitment after receiving the credential. The length depends on the credential the student obtains.

For an application or more information regarding the ECDS, applicants may contact the professional development counselor in their regional ChildCare Resource and Referral Agency. For more information about KHEAA programs and services call 800-928-8926, extension 7381 or visit www.kheaa.com.

State Police seek help in March 21 burglary

The Kentucky State Police is investigating a burglary of Hardy's BP last Thursday, March 21. Money was taken from the store's safe and ATM machine. Anyone with information is asked to contact the KSP at 623-2404.

Moore named to new diversity position last week

Sandra Moore, acting dean of Student Affairs, was named Special Assistant to the Provost for University Diversity last week.

As part of her duties, Moore will work on the recruitment and retention of minority students, faculty and staff. She will also be in charge of organizing campus conferences and workshops to discuss and understand diversity issues.

She is the president of the Kentucky Association of Blacks in Higher Education and holds high offices in many other regional diversity organizations. Moore has served the university for 14 years as director of minority affairs, acting dean of student affairs and will assume the position of special assistant on July 1.

SGA, Lexington-Fayette help Kentucky reforestation

Help reforest the Bluegrass with Eastern's student government and the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government. Eastern students and faculty are invited to join various volunteers in planting trees at Wellington Park in Lexington. The event is SGA's spring community service project.

Eastern will provide transportation to and from the park. Students will be picked up at the Daniel Boone statue at 8 a.m. and should expect to be at the event all day.

Plan on getting dirty and it's recommended that waterproof boots be worn. Lunch will be provided, along with free T-shirts.

Please RSVP at the Student Government Office by March 29 with your name, organization you are representing, and the number of people in your organization that will be attending.

If you have any questions, contact Sarah Underwood in the SGA office at 622-1724.

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Panelists to address terrorism and civil liberties

Three panelists at the annual Law and Justice Forum will address "Terrorism and Your Civil Liberties" on Tuesday.

The event, which is free and open to the public, will begin at 6:30 p.m. in Posey Auditorium in the Stratton Building.

Brig. Gen. C. Allen Youngman, Kentucky adjutant general, will offer "An Assessment of the Threat of Terrorism." Greg Van Tatenhove, U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, will discuss new laws, such as the Patriot Act, and why he believes such legislation is necessary. Jeff Vessels, executive director of the Kentucky American Civil Liberties Union, will address "Threats to Your Civil Liberties as Congress and the President Act to Fight Terrorism."

Afterwards the panelists will discuss issues with each other and take questions from the audience.

The forum is sponsored by Eastern's College of Justice and Safety, the department of government, the graduate school and three student organizations including the Student Paralegal Association, the Association of Justice and Safety Graduate Students and the Barristers Association.

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Preventing, stopping campus rapes falls to Public Safety, Counseling

By GINA VALE
News editor

Acquaintance rape, also known as date rape, is the most common type of forcible sex offense that occurs on college campuses. Though it is the most common offense, it is one of the least reported and one of the hardest crimes to investigate and prosecute.

Date rape is a nationwide problem and most at risk are females in the 16 to 24-year-old range. Here at Eastern, all reported rapes that have occurred on campus in the past three years have been ones where the perpetrator was an acquaintance to the victim.

"Stranger rapes are very violent and occur by people the victim doesn't know. The last one was many, many years ago," said Tom Lindquist, director of Public Safety.

The last acquaintance rape reported on campus allegedly happened Feb. 17. That incident is one of the "under 10 percent" of date rapes that Lindquist said get reported.

"There is no doubt (date rapes) are significantly under reported," he said.

Many factors, according to Lindquist, may prevent a victim of an acquaintance rape from coming forward. He said many victims initially shield their perpetrator because "a lot of this can be overwhelming. It's a traumatic experience; people are traumatized."

How to report an acquaintance rape

Lindquist said many rape reports that come in to Public Safety are from hospitals. "They are required by law to call," he said.

If a victim calls the police or Public Safety first, officers will make arrangements to take the

victim to a local hospital to be examined and treated. Doctors and nurses collect evidence from the victim's body. The evidence then goes into police custody and officers continue to search for evidence at the place where the rape occurred.

"Immediately contact us. Once the rape has been reported, don't bathe or douche," Lindquist said.

Lindquist also said that because the event is so traumatic, it can be psychologically devastating to the victim. If the victim doesn't take it upon her or himself to call the Bluegrass Rape Crisis Center, Public Safety will be able to do that. The rape crisis center offers immediate counseling and advocacy to all victims of rape or other sex crimes.

What's next?

After a rape is reported, a detailed investigation occurs. The Public Safety officer assigned to the case will talk to all parties involved.

The police will contact the suspect and ask him/her very specific questions and to provide an alibi and submit to a rape examination kit.

At any point during the investigation, the victim may decide to prosecute the perpetrator. At that time, he or she will be arrested and taken to jail.

There are special circumstances that would require Public Safety to arrest the perpetrator even if the victim doesn't want to press charges. "If the victim is under 16, we will prosecute. If the person (suspect) flees, if we have probable cause, we can arrest him/her," Lindquist said, "or in cases where you have a clear and present danger."

Victims should know that Public Safety doesn't pressure

A violent crime that occurred on a college campus over 15 years ago affects the safety of every student in America.

The Campus Safety Act of 1990 was renamed the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics in 1998. This act requires colleges and universities across the U.S. to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses.

The Clery Act was named in memory of a Lehigh University freshman. Nineteen-year-old Jeanne Clery was raped and murdered in her residence hall on April 5, 1986.

Clery's parents discovered afterwards that students at Lehigh hadn't been told about 38 violent crimes on the campus in the three years before their daughter's murder. They, along with other parents, lobbied Congress to enact a campus safety disclosure law.

Clery Act Summary

■ Schools must publish an annual report disclosing campus security policies and three years worth of selected crime statistics.

■ Schools must make timely warnings to the campus community about crimes that pose an ongoing threat to students and employees.

■ Each institution with a police or security department must have a public crime log.

■ Campus sexual assault victims are assured of certain basic rights.

■ Schools that fail to comply can be fined by the Department of Education.

Information from the Security on Campus Web site

victims into prosecuting.

What can I do to protect myself?

Surprisingly, date rape is a forcible sex offense that men and women can prevent from happening.

According to Sandra Medley, an Eastern counselor, safe dating and open communication lines may prevent a male or female from being a victim of a date rape.

"Set your limits and stick to

them," said Medley, referring to both relationship limits and the tolerance level of a person using alcohol.

Medley said it is also important to communicate in your relationships how far you want to go and discuss sexual roles with your partner. "Yes means yes and no means no," she said. "Some women say no when they really mean yes. They shouldn't do that."

Both the Counseling Center and the Division of Public Safety have information on how to protect yourself on campus.

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Mar. 15
Jordan Amburgey, 18, Jeremiah, was arrested for alcohol intoxication.

A McGregor Hall resident reported she had been assaulted by her boyfriend. The resident claimed her boyfriend was intoxicated when he shoved her to the ground after an argument. The victim reported that her boyfriend proceeded to punch her in the abdomen and then run off.

Public Safety did not make contact with the assailant due to his level of intoxication. The victim stated she did want to press charges against her boyfriend. Photographs were taken of the victim's injuries. Public Safety will make contact with the suspect at a later date.

Mar. 14
Paula Kopacz reported that her wallet was stolen from her purse. Kopacz reported she left her office open while she walked down the hall. The contents of her wallet included a Kentucky driver's license, an Eastern ID, four credit cards and \$200.

Virgil Wilson, 22, Tucker, Ga., arrested and charged with three counts of receiving stolen property. It is alleged that 10 books belonging to three students from Eastern were sold to the University Book and Supply by Wilson.

Bob Richmond, night supervisor at Clay Hall, reported that an unknown male busted the glass

out of one of the entrance doors and ran from the scene. A suspect was described as a white male with brown hair in a pony tail, thin build, approximately 6 feet tall, wearing a red hat and plaid shirt.

Mar. 13
James Savage, 19, West Chester, Ohio, was arrested for alcohol intoxication.

Joey Sammons, Residential Coordinator, reported that someone had thrown a mattress from a window in Keene Hall.

Sarah Caldwell, 20, London, was arrested for operating a vehicle under a suspended license and disregard to traffic control devices.

Mar. 12
Wilburn Richmond, 29, Morehead, was detained by Public Safety for theft by failure to make required disposition. Upon detainment, a warrant was served on another case involving criminal possession of forged instruments in the second degree, and Richmond was arrested and transported to the Madison County Detention Center.

Mar. 11
Matthew Hume, 20, was cited for criminal possession of forged instruments after he was observed in the Crabbe Library making the forged identifications. A Public Safety officer observed Hume with the identifications in hand and cited him.

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Malcolm Frisbie is the chair of the department of earth sciences. He's been at Eastern since 1987.



Bobby Barton currently serves as the head athletic trainer. He started at Eastern in 1976.



Pam Schlomann is a professor in the nursing program. She is the Faculty Senate president.



Richard Crosby says his greatest accomplishments have been in leadership outside the university.

Photos by Steve Richardson/Progress

Four vie for Faculty Regent spot

By JENNIFER ROGERS
Editor

Although an open forum Tuesday afternoon was only attended by six people, only one of whom was a faculty senator, the four candidates for Eastern's next faculty regent still managed to talk about issues important to them and the university. They moved chairs into a circle, came out from behind the tables reserved for them at the front of the Kennamer Room and spent just over an hour in what was more a discussion than a formal question-and-answer session.

Here's what the four candidates — Pam Schlomann, Bobby Barton, Richard Crosby and Malcolm Frisbie — talked about during the forum.

What it means to be a faculty regent

Schlomann: "I see my role as being a voice for faculty." Schlomann is the current chair of the Faculty Senate and said that role had allowed her to work more closely with the Board of Regents.

"My record speaks more for itself than I could speak for myself," she said, adding that as a regent she would continue a laid-back leadership style that focused on clarity.

Barton: "I've worn at least two hats, sometimes three, as long as I've been here." Barton, who began his career at Eastern in 1976, said that he was used to being busy, and that he'd always enjoyed board work, making him suited for the regent position.

"I'm relatively comfortable making emotionally-charged decisions," Barton said. He is the head athletic trainer, but has taught in the physical education and health education programs.

Crosby: "I like being an advocate for my colleagues." Crosby said his skills as a consensus-builder were tested when he became his music fraternity's national president, heading an organization that had its share of problems. He said most of his leadership skills have been outside the university setting, but that he was comfortable enough in his job at Eastern to make a good regent.

"This is the one (job) I got and it was exactly what I was looking for," Crosby said of his position as a professor of piano.

Frisbie: "I would like the opportunity to be a part of shaping Eastern's future." Frisbie came to Eastern in 1987 and said he's spent most of his career in an "unusual" spot: supporting programs he's not directly involved in. For instance, Frisbie's service as chair of the department of earth sciences includes overseeing the geology program — Frisbie is a biology professor.

He said that experience with other programs had allowed him to have a more holistic view of the university and its programs.

One thing they've done for the faculty

Schlomann: She serves as a research consultant for her colleagues, allowing her the opportunity to learn more and do one-on-one work with her fellow professors. "It's a very stimulating kind of thing because I get to hear what they're doing," she said.

Barton: He's an instructional trainer for the American Red Cross. Barton said he had taught much of Eastern's faculty first aid, and those he didn't teach learned from someone he had taught.

Crosby: He applied for a grant with music department students that led to an American music competition at Eastern. As a result of the contest's success, the department got stock options donated to keep it going.

Frisbie: He viewed his accomplishments as more beneficial to the university as a whole rather than just faculty. "I like to think that I have contributed in a lot of small ways," he said, like helping organize a major lecture series on campus last year.

Issues they see on the horizon

Schlomann: She said that facility maintenance was going to have to be improved, including not taking money away from maintenance budgets. Schlomann said recent power outages were proof that Eastern's physical aspects needed attention.

Barton: Two issues take center stage for Barton: program expansion (he's been part of three different colleges in his career at Eastern) and insurance, which he says is improving but still requires attention.

Crosby: As a part of the music department, which has some of the lowest faculty salaries, Crosby said merit pay presented the most complex issues for campus. "Merit pay always seems to be some sort of stressful undercurrent," he said.

Frisbie: Increased pressure from the Council on Postsecondary Education to grow should leave Eastern asking itself how big the university should be, Frisbie said. He said Eastern should work to defuse its ideal size and work with the CPE to come to a consensus.

Communicating with their colleagues

Schlomann: She said it would be easy for a regent to be distant from the faculty constituency, but that as Faculty Senate president she'd learned to use e-mail and a good Web page to communicate effectively. Schlomann said that information was key, and that many problems are caused by an initial lack of information.

Barton: He advocates a one-on-one, personal approach where the regent has direct contact with faculty. "We've lost the personal touch the Board member once had with the faculty," he said, remembering past regents who hosted open forums at lunch to increase faculty feedback.

Crosby: By the time his tenure as his music fraternity's president ended, Crosby said he had answered every e-mail and returned every phone call, a testament to his commitment to communication. "That takes a lot of time and energy, but I don't see any way around it," he said.

Frisbie: The Regent needs contact with faculty members, Frisbie said, pointing out that faculty regents had a less direct chain of contact than faculty senate representatives. Frisbie said that contact may need to be formalized in order to ensure communication happens.



Pick your Regent...

The Faculty Senate elections committee held another open forum with the candidates yesterday at 3:30 p.m. Elections will be held by a ballot, mailed to all faculty members. Ballots must be returned to the elections committee by April 5. In the event that one candidate does not win a majority of votes, a second ballot will be required. That ballot would be due April 12.

For more information on elections, contact Charlie Everett, chair of the Senate's elections committee.

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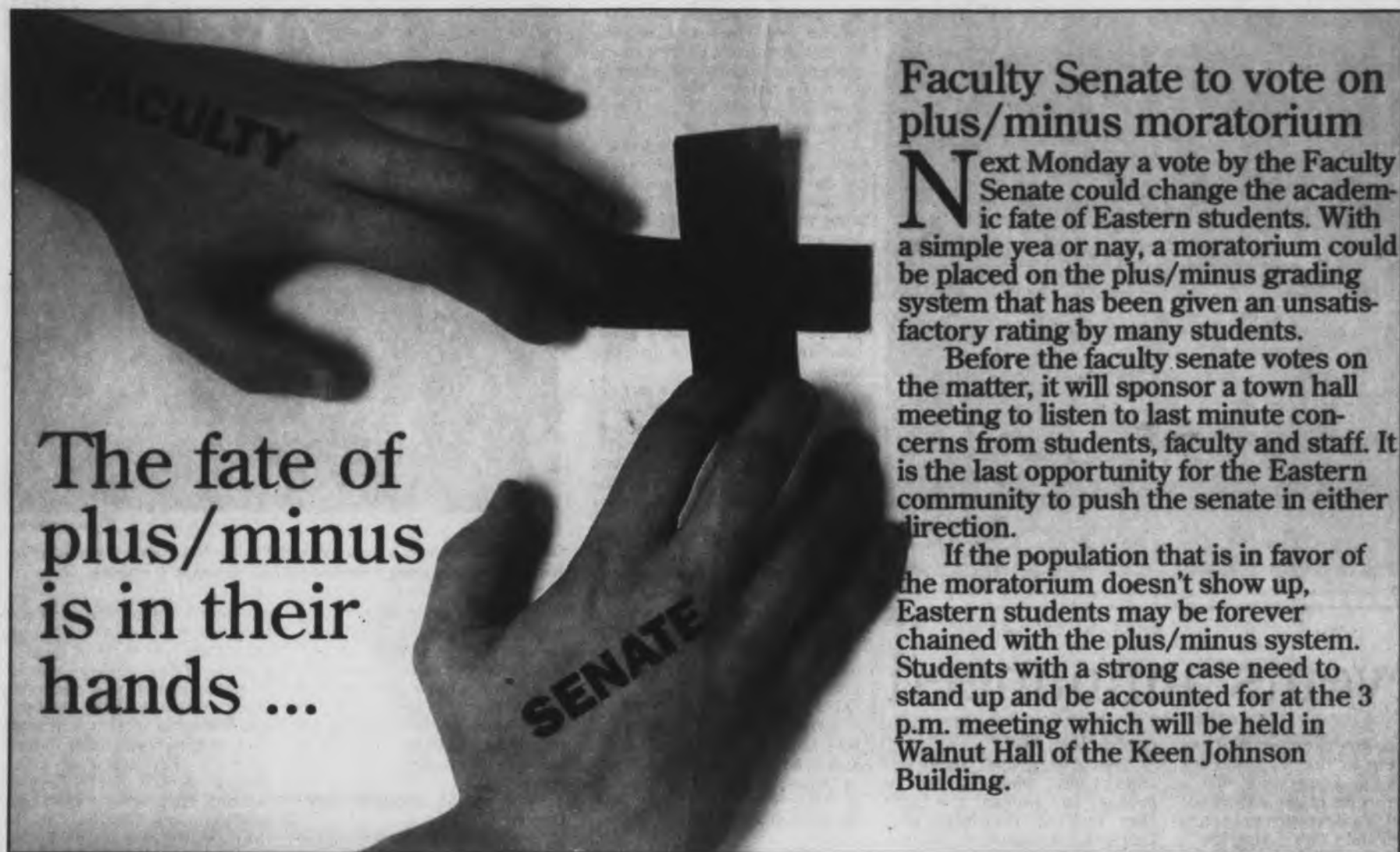
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Jennifer Rogers, editor



The fate of plus/minus is in their hands ...

Photo illustration by Steve Richardson

Faculty Senate to vote on plus/minus moratorium

Next Monday a vote by the Faculty Senate could change the academic fate of Eastern students. With a simple yea or nay, a moratorium could be placed on the plus/minus grading system that has been given an unsatisfactory rating by many students.

Before the faculty senate votes on the matter, it will sponsor a town hall meeting to listen to last minute concerns from students, faculty and staff. It is the last opportunity for the Eastern community to push the senate in either direction.

If the population that is in favor of the moratorium doesn't show up, Eastern students may be forever chained with the plus/minus system. Students with a strong case need to stand up and be accounted for at the 3 p.m. meeting which will be held in Walnut Hall of the Keen Johnson Building.

News Quiz

OK, boys and girls. It's time to test your knowledge of what's going on at Eastern. If you don't know the answers, don't worry. Just go to www.easternprogress.com and you can cheat.

1

House Bill 296 will allow the state to collect defaulted student loan payments from

- a) horse track earnings.
- b) lottery winnings.
- c) birthday money from your parents.

2

The speaker at Spring Commencement will be:

- a) Helen Thomas, former White House correspondent.
- b) Rodger Bingham, Kentucky's Survivor.
- c) Gene Simmons, from the band KISS.

3

The Baptist Student Union group spent Spring Break in Haiti in order to:

- a) get great tans at the beach.
- b) meet P Diddy on the airplane.
- c) do mission work at a school.



Steve Richardson/Progress

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SGA President Nick Bertram is:

- a) signaling that shared governance is No. 1 at Eastern.
- b) indicating that he's No. 1 because he's from Lincoln County.
- c) Just acting silly at the SGA meeting this week.

State crackdown on loan defaulters much needed

No one gets something for nothing. Apparently, the Kentucky legislature is sending that message loud and clear to college students who do not understand the true definition of student loan.

If House Bill 296 is passed, students who have defaulted on their student loans will be denied state licenses in over 30 professions.

Defaulting on a student loan is not just missing one payment. After graduation, a borrower has a six month grace period, and then must start repaying the loan. Even after that, usually a student isn't officially defaulted until he has gone 270 days without making a payment or contacting his loan agency.

So you can see, a student has to

go 15 months without paying a dime before he's in trouble — fifteen long months to negotiate payment plans and other deferment options with the loan agency.

A student who has taken out a loan can't say he wasn't informed of his rights and responsibilities. Federal law requires every student loan borrower to undergo entrance and exit counseling. No one who takes out a loan can simply say he didn't know he was supposed to pay it back through monthly payments.

With all these safeguards and options in place, you would think no one would ever default on a student loan. But they do, and although Eastern's default rate is a decent 5.3 percent (estimated

for 2000), it could be better.

So why should the average Kentuckian care if college students don't pay back a student loan?

Well, it works a little like a repeating cycle. Basically, if people don't pay back their loans, then there's less money out there for other kids to get a chance to go to school. So when it's time for your little sister or brother, or child to go to college and he can't get a loan because the state educational funds ran out — well, you get the picture.

Ultimately, House Bill 296 is about the state cracking down on people who are using the system to get something for nothing, and then hurting other Kentucky students in the process.

Check out page A6 to find out more about House Bill 296 and to see a list of professional licenses it affects.

Campus Comments

March Madness will end on Monday with the crowning of this year's national champ. Managing editor Sarah Heaney asked students who they thought would win.

ERIC WATSON



Hometown: Louisville
Major: Horticulture
Year: Freshman

Indiana University because they beat Duke.

TRAVIS SEXTON



Hometown: Paris
Major: Biology
Year: Senior

Maryland seems to be the hottest, but I'd like to see Indiana win.

JOHN DUVALL



Hometown: Scott County
Major: Horticulture
Year: Junior

Maryland will win.

MEREDITH MANN



Hometown: Louisville
Major: Outdoor recreation
Year: Junior

Kansas will win because they're a strong, motivated team.

AMANDA HAYDEN



Hometown: Owensboro
Major: English education
Year: Senior

Maryland will win because I've seen them play — they're gonna take it to the house.

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Student Government Elections

April 16



More opportunities to become a student leader



KEVIN COOTS
My Turn

Kevin Coots is a graduate political science student from Lincoln County. He is also the chairman of the SGA elections committee. You can reach him with your comments and ideas at kevin@ekus-ga.com.

Once per year the students at Eastern Kentucky University have the opportunity to elect the student leaders that will be their voice on campus. This occurrence generates quite a bit of excitement as well as a spirited race to see who will be elected to the top student leadership positions on campus.

Fortunately, the newly reorganized and restructured student government will provide more opportunities to serve your fellow students than ever before.

The current SGA provides for the election of the student body president and vice president and a predetermined number of senators. This new system will see the election of a whole host of new positions as a result of the merged organizations.

There will be new positions as a result of the merged organizations to collectively work for the betterment of their area of interest and the university as a whole. Clearly there has never been an opportunity in the history of Eastern quite like this one for making a difference in so many areas of students' lives.

Under the new structure, there will be four branches of student government, three of which will be made up of elected representatives.

The Student Senate will focus on student rights and academic issues, in addition to the allocation of organizational funding.

The Student Activities Council will conduct various programming throughout the year in order to bring together our wonderfully diverse student body.

The Residence Life Council will be the advocate for on-campus residents in policy development and programming.

The Student Court is the only entity that remains unchanged. It will continue to be an independent body in order to ensure the integrity of the student body's elected leadership.

The entire Student Government Association is very excited about the upcoming prospects that the new structure will bring. This new measure has received endorsements from all the organizations involved including the Resident Hall Association, First Weekend Committee, Centerboard and Student Senate.

The goal of SGA (and my committee in particular) is to see that the students know that they have these increased opportunities to serve their peers.

We also want to stress the importance of service and the distinction and opportunity that can accompany such service. Seldom have I found more satisfaction in my collegiate career than in service to my fellow students, and I strongly advocate this path of service to others.

I would further encourage everyone to visit the SGA Web site and familiarize him or herself with the various dates concerning the elections and the requirements for holding positions in the new SGA.

Applications for being placed on the ballot are available in the SGA office in the Powell building. The deadline for turning in these applications is April 2.

Also on April 2, there will be a mandatory meeting for all candidates at 6:00 p.m. in the Jagers Room of the Powell building. On this date, candidates can begin the very exciting campaigning process.

A president/vice president debate will be held on April 10 in the Fountain Food Court at 5:00 p.m. Please find time to come by and be a part of this very important event so you can see where the candidates stand. This will be an exciting time where you can come and meet the candidates and discuss the issues.

I invite everyone to become involved in this process either by running for a position or simply voting in the election on April 16. I cannot stress enough the importance of voting in this election.

The SGA has a very strong voice on campus and is a tremendous advocate for the rights of the student body. Additionally, the SGA allocates tens of thousands of dollars annually to various student organizations. Now is your chance to be involved.

The SGA looks forward to working with our greatest advocate, President Joanne Glasser, in our best days, which are ahead.

There has never been a better time to be a part of the most progressive student government organization in the Commonwealth. There has also never been a better time to be a part of Eastern Kentucky University.

Student government GPA requirement excludes students



DENISE ROBERTS
My Turn

Denise Roberts is a senior wildlife management major from Cincinnati.

The student senate isn't representing me and may not be representing you.

On March 12, 2002, Student Government Association voted on a proposal to lower its GPA requirement from a 2.5 to a 2.0 for general members of Student Senate, Residence Life Council and Activities Council. However, the GPA requirement would not change for executive officers and the Student Court. This proposal failed.

Student Government Association is categorized through the Office of Student Development as a Special Interest organization. Of the student organizations in this category that require a minimum GPA, none of them surpass a 2.0.

Under the new constitution, students who once sat on RHA and Centerboard with below a 2.5 will no longer be allowed to hold those positions. Combining these organizations was supposed to allow for better student representation when in fact it has kicked students out of the representation process.

Compared to our benchmark universities, Eastern's Student Government Association has the highest comparative GPA between senate requirements and graduation requirements. For example, our Student Government requires a 2.5 to be a representative but according to the Office of Institutional Research all majors at EKU, except Education, require a 2.0 to graduate. Of Eastern's 17 benchmark institutions, nine require the same GPA to be on senate as to graduate. Three institutions require higher: two of them at a 2.2 to a 2.0 and one with a 2.25 to a 2.0. Four institutions could not be contacted. One has no requirement to be on Student Government Association.

Why should our Student Government Association require more than our benchmarks and more than the rest of the university? According to the constitution SGA's purpose is "to provide a representative body to conduct student affairs and to participate in the policy and decision-making processes of the University community." Aren't the members only representing those students who are like themselves?

Apparently senate members do not agree. By requiring a 2.5 they believe they are setting the standard and being "role models." I don't see them as role models. At the last Senate meeting I was told by senators that people who have under a 2.5 are not motivated, have no priorities and are incapable of making the decisions required by senate. Wow! So I guess that's how SGA feels about the students it represents!

Is SGA supposed to be an elitist group? Maybe it should be switched to an honorary organization. I know I am much more than a letter grade and some numbers on a piece of paper. Because I am an office assistant for SGA, I think it is important to note that I am capable of spending over ten hours a week running errands, making sure papers are copied and stapled, faxes are made, messages are taken, events are planned, agendas are created, among other things. But according to the current student senate and student body president, I am not capable of speaking for myself or representing others. As a member of a university committee and a president of another organization, I speak for myself and others daily.

Each senator represents 700 students. I am sure there are at least 700 students that have between a 2.0 and a 2.5. We have no voice. The only way we can speak to senate is after a bill has been voted upon or if through someone who is willing to speak for us.

When a complaint is brought to the current student body president his response is to run for senate and you can change things. I am not allowed to run for senate but I know things need to change.

How is it possible to claim to represent all students when not all students have a voice?

Sept. 11 doesn't change appreciation of Islamic culture, art



SARAH HEANEY
Editor's Turn

Sarah Heaney is a senior journalism major from Stanford. She is the managing editor.

decisions regarding an international student was overridden after I spoke to his supervisor, he targeted me for his backlash.

I spoke up in defense of a student because I felt she was being taken advantage of and that she couldn't defend herself. Prior to the incident with the international student, I never had any problem with Richard Middleton.

Mr. Middleton has ultimately gained his revenge because I have now moved out of Brockton due to his harassment. The international student has also moved out and wouldn't even go to Facilities Services to return the key to her apartment.

I would have stayed for at least four more years because my wife has just started her college education at Eastern. I deeply regret having to leave the campus community, but I hope that this situation teaches us a lesson so that it doesn't occur again.

Thanks,
Nathan T. Hoskins

I visited New York City last year and had the chance to return during Spring Break, exactly one year later for the Annual College Media Advisers convention. Needless to say, New York has changed a lot and it was heartbreaking seeing the new skyline when flying into the city.

But some things are still the same as my last visit. Security is tighter, but the Broadway shows are still going on and the museums and stores are still in business.

A visit to Ground Zero and later the Metropolitan Museum of Art really got me thinking about how America's perception of the Islamic world has changed.

I was very hesitant about visiting Ground Zero. While on one hand I didn't want to be a totally crass tourist, on the other hand I felt like I needed to see it for myself to realize the full impact of Sept. 11.

So with a lot of trepidation I headed down to Ground Zero with news editor Gina Vaile, my adviser, Dr. Fraas, her husband and her nephew.

Dr. Fraas' nephew Marty Ambos lives in New York and had been extremely close to the World Trade Center towers when they were attacked. He's one of the thousands that had to take flight on foot to escape lower Manhattan.

He took us around Ground Zero, pointed out the broken windows and damaged buildings. The dust from the collapse was on many of the skyscrapers and especially on the nearby St. Paul's church.

Many, many memorials were set up around the fenced off area. Flowers, flags, wreaths, candles and posters blanketed the chainlink fences.

I steeled myself, determined not to let it get to me too much, but the posters of the missing people who worked in the towers broke my resolve to not cry. These posters of people in the towers spoke of their family's hope that they'd survived ... but most of the missing never came home.

The next morning I visited my favorite place in New York, the Met. Unlike the last time I visited, my bag was hand-searched before I could even pay to get in.

After a trip through the Egyptology section, I headed straight to the second floor and the Islamic art gallery. The beautiful mosaics, artistic calligraphy and intricate prayer rugs at the museum are truly worth seeing. Due to religious restrictions, Muslims are strongly discouraged from representing living creatures and people in art, so Islamic artwork is truly original and exotic and very different from European art forms.

Islamic art? I know more than one person who would be surprised in anyone taking an interest in anything Islamic, Middle Eastern or Arab after Sept. 11. Well, at least an interest that wasn't connected to figuring out the best way to beat them off the globe or convert them to Christianity.

I know that most of my generation's beliefs about Islam have been irrevocably shaped by what happened on Sept. 11 and those beliefs are mostly uninformed and prejudicial.



Sarah Heaney/Progress

An apartment building next to Ground Zero in New York shows the scars of Sept. 11.

But I refuse to let the acts of a handful of religious fanatics ruin my great appreciation for Islamic art, architecture, history and culture. I have been fascinated with the Islamic world long before Sept. 11.

Just because you do not agree with a religion, doesn't mean you can't still appreciate its art, history and culture. You might not agree with all the varied cultural practices of Muslims around the world, but you can still appreciate the things you do find beautiful or good in their culture.

Don't let a small group of fanatics close your mind to over one-fifth of our world's population and a major chunk of history. Sept. 11 was a tragedy that will affect me deeply for the rest of my life, but I won't let it close my mind to the what the living 1.3 billion Muslims and their ancestors have to offer to the rest of the world.

Letters to the editor

Brockton resident leaving because of harassment

Due to unsolicited, unwarranted harassment by Richard Middleton, I hereby terminate my rental agreement. Please note that I have been a resident of 706 Brockton for FOUR years and have no complaints on my record from any resident of Brockton.

I have always enjoyed living in Brockton and have always been treated fairly by all except Richard Middleton. He has made it a personal goal to cause disruption in the life of my wife and myself.

I feel that a full internal investigation is warranted to determine the cognitive ability of Mr. Middleton to perform his duties in his current position without causing mental anguish to others.

I have spoken to about 30 Facilities Services workers and ALL have described Mr. Middleton as cruel and hateful. I assured these workers of their anonymity when they spoke of Mr. Middleton because they fear for their jobs. Their fears are warranted because after an instance where one of Mr. Middleton's

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2002 General Elections

- Student Body President & Executive Vice President
- Vice President for Student Activities
- Vice President for Residence Life
- Student Senators (31)
- Student Activities Council Reps (18)
- Residence Life Council Reps (18)

April 2 - Applications Deadline & Mandatory Candidates Meeting
Herndon Lounge, 6PM

April 10 - Spring Fling (all day)
President / VP Debate
5:30 PM in Fountain Food Court

April 16 - Election Day
Vote online www.eku.edu
or in Powell Student Center

Steve Richardson/Progress

This sign outside the Powell Building advertises the new positions and dates for the upcoming Student Government Association elections. Elections will be held on-line again this year.



Steve Richardson/Progress

Signs in the Student Government Office denote stacks of applications for the Student Senate and three new councils, to be made up of elected representatives.



Steve Richardson/Progress

The new proposal does away with the Speaker Pro Tem position for Student Senate.

SGA: Elect new leaders on April 16

From The Front

structure will change elections in a dramatic way.

"Students have never really had a direct voice on who does their programming for them," Bertram said, referring to the elected positions on the Student Activities Council.

Bertram said a "ton" of interest had already been expressed in the executive positions, and that applications were still coming in for representative positions, particularly for Student Senate.

"It's people's nature to gravitate more toward Senate," Bertram said, explaining that he expects interest in the other elected positions to increase once students become more comfortable and used to the changes.

Bertram said the act will result in "enormous" changes for students, particularly since the new SGA plan coincides with other pro-student changes like the new Student Services Building and the Senate's funding for student organizations.

Bertram said he was glad the Board had supported the SGA changes, and that he had been impressed with the level of communication the Board offered.

"Our Board of Regents is very supportive of anything students generate," he said.

Washington lady reporter 95th graduation speaker

By JENNIFER ROGERS
Editor

The woman journalist who became famous for closing presidential press conferences with "Thank you, Mr. President" will close out the careers of about 1,300 Eastern seniors at the 95th spring commencement on May 11.

Helen Thomas, who served as the United Press International's White House correspondent/bureau chief for 40 years, was approved for an honorary degree and approved as the commencement speaker at a Board of Regents meeting March 15.

Thomas is originally from Winchester, but moved to Detroit during her childhood and graduated from Wayne State University.

Thomas' first job was at a newspaper that no longer exists: She was a copy girl for the Washington Daily News. She went on to be hired by UPI in 1943.

Thomas' UPI career started with a 12-year stint in radio, putting in work days that began at 5:30 a.m.; by 1960 she was

95th Spring Commencement

When: 1:30 p.m. May 11

Where: Roy Kidd Stadium

covering President-elect John F. Kennedy. During Kennedy's tenure, Thomas began closing his press conferences with her now-famous thank-you.

Later in her career, she became the only woman print journalist to travel with President Richard Nixon during his breakthrough trip to China in January 1972. She has traveled around the world with other officials, including presidents Carter, Reagan and Bush and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, all of whom she also accompanied to China.

Her journalism career served to open the doors for many female journalists: Among other achievements, she was the first woman officer of the National Press Club, she was the first female officer of the National Press Club, and she was the first woman member of the 90-

year-old Gridiron Club.

Thomas went on to serve as the Gridiron Club's president in 1993-1994.

Thomas has received over 30 honorary degrees from colleges and universities all around the country.

In November 1976 she was named one of the 25 most influential women in America.

Thomas has also found time to write two books, "Dateline White House," which was published in 1976, and "Front Row at the White House," published in 1999.

She also is the inspiration for the Helen Thomas Lifetime Achievement Award.

She retired from UPI in 2000, but still writes for Hearst Newspapers as a columnist.

The commencement ceremonies will begin at 1:30 p.m. at Roy Kidd Stadium. The time was changed in order to accommodate people who had to travel long distances.

The public is welcome to attend the ceremonies.

Eastern's five academic colleges will host separate receptions in the Keen Johnson Building from 10 a.m. to noon.

Outback Survivor Bingham to speak at skills conference

By GINA VAILE
News editor

He survived a back injury in high school and five years at Eastern. He survived managing his own farm, lumber company and hardware store. Don't let his rugged life fool you — he's also been the president and CEO of a bank.

Oh yeah, and he survived the Outback.

Rodger Bingham, the man who charmed audiences of the CBS reality based "Survivor: Outback," will speak at Eastern students tomorrow at the

College of Business and Technology's sixth annual Professional Skills Conference.

The theme of the conference is "Survival: Student to Professional," a fitting theme for the keynote speaker.

The conference is required for all students enrolled in Business and Technology 300 and 400 level courses. All seniors and others registered will be walked through how to survive job interviews and how to appropriately change your wardrobe to suit the transition into the business world.

A luncheon will be held for

all seniors in the Keene Johnson Ballroom. Bingham, as well as alumni from the six departments within the college, will be honored at the luncheon.

There is limited public-viewing space available in the Brock Auditorium balcony for those who are interested in attending. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$5. Call 622-1574 for more information.

Bingham graduated from Eastern with a bachelor's degree in technology in 1969. A year later, he earned a master's degree, also from Eastern.

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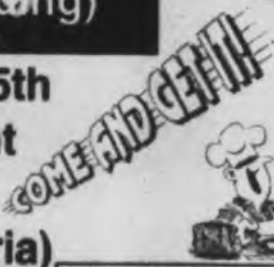
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On a mission...



Brandon Preston, a member of Interspersy Christian Fellowship, is one of several students who traveled to Haiti over Spring Break on a mission trip. Here he helps the children with their Vacation Bible School activity. Here they are making butterflies to represent the resurrection of Christ.



Students spend their Spring Break on mission trip in Ranquitte, Haiti

BY RONICA BRANDENBURG
Accent editor

When most students pack for Spring Break vacation, common items include tanning lotion, beach towels, beach chairs, alcohol and whatever else is deemed necessary to have fun while basking in the sun.

For three Eastern students, however, the list was much different. Brandon Preston, Whitney West and Krista Baldwin, all of the Interspersy Christian Fellowship at Eastern, were headed toward a very warm place, but tanning oil and beach towels were not needed.

Their items included bottled water to save them from having to boil their own, insect repellent to avoid malaria, a Bible and a passport.

The group went to Ranquitte, Haiti where they worked with children at the Calhoun-Spadey School that houses first through 12th grades. They also traveled throughout the community taking food, soap, matches and the word of God to the people.

Haiti is a small country about 600 miles from the coast of Florida. Ranquitte is located in the northeast rural mountains of Haiti and much of the terrain is similar to the one here in Eastern, Ky.

"It was hard for me to realize that such poverty could exist so close to the United States," said West, who is a 21-year-old junior from Paint Lick. "Some of the people live in mud huts, sit on the floor and have no clothes."

It was Scott Mandl, the stateside coordinator of Christian Flights International, who spoke to the ICF about the trip earlier this year. West said that shortly after, she knew she was going to be involved.

"God laid Haiti heavily on my heart," she said. "These are real people with real names who have a very hard life, but they are still filled with so much joy. You go there thinking you can help and nine out of 10 times, they end up helping you."

This is the sixth trip to Haiti for Mandl. He said he likes exposing college students to these kinds of trips in hopes to make them more grateful people.

"It gives them a chance to see how richly blessed we are in the US by way of comparison," he said. "It shows them how we can make a difference."

No, these students did not sunbathe or get drunk on Spring Break. They did not sit around and do nothing and they did not work at their day jobs to make extra money. Instead, they wrote mission letters in order to collect the thirteen hundred dollars per person the trip would cost them.

All three students said the people in Haiti actually helped them more than they helped the people.

"We fill our lives with all this junk and you forget about the simple things," West said. "These people have nothing but joy. They know they have nothing, but yet they aren't hopeless. We can learn from that."

For more information on how to get involved with Christian Flights International, call Scott Mandl at 623-6402 or visit the website at www.christainflights.org.

"These people have nothing but joy. They know they have nothing, but yet they aren't hopeless."

—Whitney West
Interspersy Christian Fellowship



Haiti Photos courtesy of Scott Mandl
These Haitian girls display the butterflies they made at VBS.

Excerpts from the journal Krista Baldwin kept while in Haiti

Sunday, March 17th

We went to bed early and got up here at Ivy's house in Ranquitte, starting the day at 6 a.m. It was a beautiful morning and the house was stirring early. Today was church day ... the voices of the people harmonized so beautifully as they sang about our common Lord and Savior. They did a song for us in English! The biggest thing I noticed is what gracious, warm treatment we received from all the Haitian people. Everyone kept saying how glad they are that we came. They are hospitable, friendly and kind.

Monday, March 18th

Today, we worked on getting some stuff prepared for the things we will be doing in the coming days. I feel overwhelmed with all the work and planning to do tomorrow for two days of Vacation Bible School and two days of prayer visits. Today, we sorted jelly-beans and beads for VBS and sorted rice, beans, soap and matches to give to the families that we are going to visit. We also worked on putting another shelf together for the dorm. Brandon had to fix one of the shelves from yesterday and it took him almost as long to fix it as it did to put together the new one. I like it here. Life is a little less complicated and it's easier to take pleasure in simpler things. I continue to be impressed with the Haitian people.

Baptist Student Union visits three spots

Memphis, West Palm Beach, Toronto
all destinations for BSU members

BY RONICA BRANDENBURG
Accent editor

Three groups from the Baptist Student Union also went on mission trips over the break. Memphis, West Palm Beach and Toronto, Canada were the destinations.

Jason Kilby, campus minister, took a group to Toronto. Julie Bauscher took students to Memphis and Steve Hammond took students to West Palm Beach.

Kristy Hogan, a 21-year-old senior from Danville, went to West Palm Beach.

"We painted two houses, put on a roof and worked for Habitat for Humanity," Hogan said. "We worked with

under privileged children. We just went to serve God and that was the greatest thing."

The mission in Toronto was to help the homeless. During his stay, Joe Tanner, a 20-year-old junior from Louisville, made brown bag lunches and passed them out to the homeless on the street.

"The most satisfying part of the trip was getting to help these people and just loving them," Tanner said.

Natalie Gabbard, a 20-year-old sophomore from McKee, accompanied Bauscher to Memphis. Throughout the week, the group worshiped with the BSU at the University of Memphis. They went to a medium-security prison and worshiped with the inmates. They also worked at a food bank, an after school program and practiced street evangelism.

For more information about mission trips with the BSU, call 623-3294.



Students from the BSU helped put on a roof during a mission trip in West Palm Beach, Fla.

What's on Tap

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Have a campus event or activity? Contact Greg Vittitow at 622-1882 or by e-mail at progress@acs.eku.edu.

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Greg Vittitow, editor

Couple to perform magic of the mind

By GREG VITTITOW
What's on Tap editor

Blindfolded, she asks a woman in the audience to think about a picture in her purse. Having never met the audience member, she proceeds to name and describe the person in the photograph. This is a typical feat accomplished by Tessa Evason.

She and her husband Jeff, The Evasons, will perform "Marvels of the Mind" at 9 p.m. April 4 in the Keen Johnson Ballroom. The show is free and open to students and faculty.

The Evasons attempt to entertain audiences with predictions, extrasensory perception, telepathy, super memory, telekinesis, mind over matter and levitation.

"A woman will be levitated about 6 feet in the air," Jeff Evason said.

According to Jeff, The Evasons do not call themselves magicians.

"We are mentalists. We do magic of the mind. We deal with psychology and intuition to perform what appears to be the impossible," he said.

The 60- to 70-minute show is centered on audience involvement. At least 25 audience members will participate.

"The show is totally interactive. Some people come on stage. I go into the audience and work with a wireless mic. People think of things and Tessa works with their thoughts," Jeff said.

Jeff calls Tessa the star of the show. She performs the telepathy portion. Her eyes covered by a blindfold, Tessa can recite the serial number from an audience member's dollar bill or describe a symbol just drawn by a spectator.

The Evasons know people are skeptical of their performance.

"We don't ask anybody to believe. We know what we believe



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Jeff and Tessa Evason, a mentalist duo, will perform at 9 p.m. April 4 in the Keen Johnson Ballroom.

and we're comfortable with our beliefs, but we also feel that people must be free to have their own opinions," Jeff said.

The Evasons primarily perform college campus and corporate shows. However, they sometimes perform on cruise ships and in casino showrooms.

Television is no stranger to Jeff and Tessa. They have appeared on NBC's "The World's Greatest Magic," and Fox's "Powers of the Paranormal."

Jeff, performing since the age of 14, met Tessa in 1983. Tessa was a fashion model at the time. She volunteered to help Jeff while he was performing at a fashion show in Toronto, Canada.

From then on, they worked together in and around Toronto.

Married in 1991, they have since performed in over 28 countries.

They live in Annapolis, Md.

The performance is part of Thursday Alternative Getaway, sponsored by the Office of Student Development.

TODAY

EKU regional high school exhibit displays through April 3 in Giles Gallery. Call 859-622-8135 for more information.

12:30 p.m.
Isabelle White, director of Women's Studies, will present "Out of Kenya: A Discussion of Women's Issues" in the Faculty Dining Room.

7:30 p.m.
Ken Johnson and Sara Zeigler will present "A Relative Matter? Human Rights Standards in Theory and Practice" in Room 116 of the Moore Building.

7:30 p.m.
Zeta Phi Beta will sponsor its third annual talent show in Brock Auditorium. Admission is \$3.

8 p.m.
"Women Out Loud," featuring comedienne Deidre Flint and ECU student singer Ronica Brandenburg in the Ravine. Rain site is the Grise Room of

the Combs Building. The event is sponsored by Thursday Alternative Getaway.

9 p.m.
The ECU Baptist Student Union will hold Club Agape and Coffee House until midnight at the BSU. The event is free.

FRIDAY

8 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
The College of Business and Technology's Professional Skills Conference begins in Brock Auditorium. Rodger Bingham, Kentucky Joe from Survivor, will speak at 8:40 a.m. Tickets for morning session available to public for \$5 and may be obtained by calling 622-1574 in advance.

10 a.m.
Tickets go on sale in Powell 128 for Rascal Flatts concert to take place April 11 in Alumni Coliseum. Student tickets are \$5, faculty and staff \$7 and general public \$10.

9 p.m.-1 a.m.
Annual Good Friday College Jam in the Keen Johnson

Ballroom. Admission is \$5 with a college ID, \$7 without. Must be 18 or older.

SATURDAY

6:30 p.m.
"Celebration of Women in the Arts" at the Richmond Area Arts Center on the corner of Water Street and Lancaster Avenue. Female artists will exhibit work. Raison D' Etre will perform. Tickets are \$5, \$4 for students and seniors.

8 p.m.
EKU Dance Theatre and the Bluegrass Chapter of USAAB-DA will host a Sock Hop in the Weaver Gym. A Swing lesson will take place from 8-9 p.m. and general dancing from 9-midnight. Admission is \$3 for students and \$8 for non-students. People are encouraged to dress in 50s styles.

SUNDAY

1 p.m.
EKU softball vs. UT Martin at Gertrude Hood Field.

MONDAY

3 p.m.
Town hall meeting on plus/minus grading in Walnut Hall of the Keen Johnson Building.

8:45 p.m.
Golden Key International Honour Society general meeting in the Kennamer Room of the Powell Building.

TUESDAY

6:30 p.m.
"Terrorism and Your Civil Liberties," an ECU Law and Justice Forum, will be held in the Posey Auditorium of the Stratton Building.

7 p.m.
Appalachian poet Diane Fisher will give a public presentation in the Grand Reading Room of Crabbe Library.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 p.m.
Westminster Fellowship will be held in Wallace 330.

Campus, community jumping to celebrate Easter



Services

March 28
7 p.m. at St. Mark Parish, 608 W. Main St.

March 29
12:10 p.m. at the Newman Center, 405 University Drive.

7 p.m. at St. Mark Parish.

March 30
Easter Vigil Mass 8 p.m. at St. Mark Parish.

March 31, Easter
61st annual Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. in the Ravine.

8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at St. Mark Parish.

Noon at the Newman Center.

Events

"The Way of the Cross, A Walk for Justice"

People of all faiths and denominations are welcome to meet at the steps of the Madison County Courthouse

at 3:30 p.m. March 29 to participate in "The Way of the Cross, A Walk for Justice"

Those attending will walk through the city to cover a range of topics concerning our local and worldwide community.

"Easter Eggstravaganza"

An Easter egg hunt will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. March 30 at Irvine McDowell Park, across from the Campbell Building.

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Arts&Stuff

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Raison D'Etre will perform an extensive repertoire of medieval, pioneer and Shaker songs during the Celebration of Women in the Arts at 7:30 p.m. March 30 at the Area Arts Center. Tickets are \$5 and \$4 for students.

RAAC celebrates women in arts

BY CECIL SMITH
Arts&Stuff editor

Everyone knows that they would not be here if not for a woman. This is also true for many of the books, artwork and music of this region.

The Richmond Area Arts Council, in conjunction with Eastern Kentucky University's Women's Studies Program, will host a special event to help the public learn more about the creative work of over 50 artists and authors in this region of the state.

"There are two goals really for

this event. The first is to give exposure to the women in the area and their art. The second is to create an enjoyable evening for the community," Amy McIntosh, executive director of the RAAC, said.

During the event, authors will sign books and give 10 minute readings beginning at 6:30 and also during the event's intermission. Artwork from various artists around the region will also be exhibited.

Also, Raison D'Etre, a "folk-soaked" trio from northern Kentucky, will perform.

Comprised of two sisters and one other woman, the group performs throughout the state.

They are commissioned by the Cincinnati Historical Museum to perform traditional Shaker hymns, pioneer ballads from the 1790s, medieval, swing, World War II era and contemporary folk songs.

The two sisters play guitar, bongos and native drums while the other member plays piano. The group utilizes intricate three-part harmonies to empower melody as it weaves its way through time-tested hymns and

traditional folk tunes.

"It's a good opportunity to see a lot of talented people from around Kentucky," McIntosh said.

The event begins at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday at the Richmond Area Arts Center at the corner of Water Street and Lancaster Avenue.

Tickets are \$5, \$4 for students and seniors, and are available in advance at the Arts Center or at the door. For more information, contact the RAAC at (859) 624-4242.

'Resident Evil' raises eyebrows and dead

BY STEPHEN TRONCONE
Contributing writer

Over the last couple years a number of movies attempted to use successful video game series for their basis. Movies like "Tomb Raider," "Street Fighter" and "Wing Commander" have all tried to move the experience one gets from playing the games onto the big screen.

Unfortunately, all of these movies have fallen flat on their face. They all end up relying on their licenses and not on the simple things like plot and acting. At first glance I was afraid that "Resident Evil" would follow this disappointing trend (I mean, the preview shows a girl jump kicking a dog).

However, while this movie will not be winning any Oscars any time soon, it did succeed in accurately recreating the overwhelming suspense (if not the plot) that the games are famous for.

The movie takes place in a secret underground biological research facility owned by the sinister Umbrella Corporation with the original name of the Hive.

After an accidental release of the T-Virus, one of the facilities' bio-weapons, the Red Queen (the artificial intelligence computer controlling everything in the Hive), seals all the workers into the facility and proceeds to kill them all.

Thinking that the Red Queen has gone "insane," the Umbrella Corporation dispatches a squad of commandos to take out the Red Queen and find out what went wrong. Upon entering the compound, the team finds an amnesiac named Alice, played by Milla Jovovich.

Alice has no idea who she is or what she is doing there. Identifying her as one of Umbrella's security officers, the commando team members take

Alice with them as they descend down into the Hive. It is not long after breaching the Hive that the team realizes it may have gotten in a little over its head.

All of the scientists that the team thought had been killed are not exactly all dead. It discovers that the T-Virus has the nasty ability to re-animate bodies. So in addition to the homicidal Red Queen, the team also has to deal with hundreds of zombies who want nothing more than to take enormous bites out of any living thing they can find. To make matters worse, one bite or scratch from the zombies is enough to infect anyone.

Fans of the game series will undoubtedly see some small similarities between the games and the movie. However, these small topical similarities are about as far as the movie goes in trying to represent the game. This is not necessarily a bad thing because

much of the game involves solving puzzle areas.

What the movie does succeed in keeping the same creepy sense of dread that the games are so famous for. There are enough sudden scares and unexpected events to keep anyone on the edge of his seat.

In short, this movie comes through as an awesome suspense/thriller. However, as a thriller, it does leave out certain aspects like plot twists, character development and good acting. At the end of the movie you really don't care about who lives or dies and the plot features no real surprises. The dialogue is in some points laughable.

However, all of these flaws are easily overlooked in light of the wild and intense ride that this movie takes you on. I for one will be looking forward to a sequel that is already in development.



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"Resident Evil," starring Milla Jovovich best known for "The Fifth Element," opened over Spring Break in theaters and grossed nearly 30 million dollars.

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Katie Weitkamp, editor

Prof: Greenhouse gas 'sexy' blast

Professor prepares for first Pacific voyage

BY KATIE WEITKAMP
Who's That editor

Someday he'd like to have a house and his own piece of land where he can live with his wife and child, but this summer he's abandoning his land locked dream and heading for the Pacific Ocean, just off Oregon's coast.

Walter Borowski, a professor of earth sciences, will work as a geological chemist aboard the JOIDES Resolution. He will be one of 30 scientists aboard the ship.

The 471 by 70 foot drill ship contains a derrick that rises 200 feet above the water line and can operate in water as deep as 27,000 feet.

Borowski and his fellow scientists will be drilling the bottom of the ocean for methane gas hydrates, an ice-like substance, found inside the rock of the ocean's floor.

Scientists have been looking at these hydrates for years, trying to find what the hydrates do, how much of

them are leaking now and how much is found in the atmosphere.

"I actually got to hold the gas hydrate in my hand. That was really something special," Borowski said.

He said he can't wait to go this summer and hopes the expedition is as successful as past voyages.

"I am very excited and feel very privileged to be able to work on this project," Borowski said.

This is not the first voyage for Borowski. It will be his third, but his first to the Pacific Ocean. In the past Borowski drilled in the Atlantic Ocean. He said he is excited to see the Pacific and compare the two.

Borowski said off the coast of Oregon, the methane is moving up from the ocean's floor at a faster rate than anywhere else because of the movement of the water.

"It's a very unusual process. Also very sexy, at least to the scientists," Borowski said.

Methane gas hydrates are needed in the atmosphere because they are a greenhouse gas.

The methane warms the earth, making it warm enough to sustain life on the planet. Borowski said without greenhouse gasses, the earth would be approximately 40 degrees Fahrenheit.

Methane hydrates were first found when they were clogging pipelines. It takes high pressure and a cool tempera-



Steve Richardson/Progress

Walter Borowski poses Monday morning in front of a poster advertising his past voyages and upcoming voyage on the JOIDES Resolution. This poster was displayed at many of the events during the president's inauguration.

ture to create the ice-like substance. Because the ocean has a cool enough temperature and an enormous amount of pressure, it is a significant source of the hydrates.

Today, scientists believe there are more methane hydrates than previously thought. Those aboard the JOIDES Resolution plan on finding how much and what we can gain from its use.

When Borowski isn't out drilling for gasses in the ocean, he spends much time with his wife and daughter. Because he goes on expeditions for months at a time, he is trying to find a way

to keep in contact with them.

Most of the ships now have e-mail so he can stay in contact with friends and family, but feels it still isn't as personal as a phone call or even a written letter.

He said he feels bad about leaving his daughter at the young age of two for extended periods of time, but he and his wife are working on ways so that they can feel close to each other while he is so far away.

Borowski has lived all over the United States, including Tennessee, Louisiana, Ohio and Kentucky. He said he enjoys the atmosphere of Kentucky the best.

"Everything gets brighter past Cleveland," Borowski said.

He enjoys more Southern states because they are rich in wildlife. He especially enjoys the rural areas of the Southern states.

Borowski and his wife are naturalists. They enjoy walking, hiking and just about anything else out doors.

He said his dream is to live in the Appalachian area in a house with a handful of acres of land. He said he'd like to leave the land he owns in its natural state, rather than farming, so that he could sit on his porch and look at it as well as hike there with his family.

Borowski said he hopes to instill his love of nature into his daughter. Often times he and his wife take their child hiking or out to do other outdoor activities. He said Madison County is an ideal place to raise his family the way he wants.

Borowski likes working at Eastern. He said that his co-workers, the atmosphere and his students make it worthwhile. However, he hasn't always been a professor.

Borowski earned his master's at the University of Tennessee and then started working for an oil company in Louisiana for nine years.

Following his work in the oil industry, he went back to school at the University of North Carolina, College Hill, where he earned his doctorate. He then went back to work in the oil industry in Houston.

"(The job) didn't have what I wanted anymore. I was ready to start educating," Borowski said.

"The corporate life wasn't for me." This is Borowski's first year teaching at Eastern and he plans on staying around Eastern for a long time. He will still keep his eyes and ears open for new opportunities working with geology and other science related activities.

"In life there are not straight paths," Borowski said.

He knew after he graduated college that he'd go back to work for a university, but he had to take some time to do other things such as working as an oil geologist.

"I always knew I'd come back to school," Borowski said. He also said he's glad that he chose Eastern to work for.

He says he wants to "put down his roots" now. As he anticipates this summer's voyage he is spending as much time out in nature with his family as he can.

College of Justice & Safety Career Day 2002



Thursday, April 4
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Robert Clark Stone Fitness Center
Stratton Building

Representatives from more than 50 federal, state and local agencies, including the U.S. Marshals Service, U.S. Secret Service and the ATF, will be on-site recruiting. For a complete list of participating agencies, visit www.justice.eku.edu.



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Other Career Day Events

• Pre-Career Day Panel
Wednesday, April 3
2:15-3:15 p.m.

434 Stratton Building

Receive the most current hiring trend information, interviewing tips, and questions to ask as you visit agency representatives on Thursday. Hosted by the College of Justice & Safety Alumni Society and the ECU Division of Career Services.

• "Dealing with the Aftermath of Trauma: The Bobby Smith Story"

Friday, April 5

8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Robert Posey Auditorium, Stratton Building

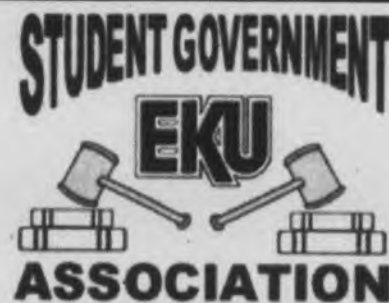
Dr. Bobby E. Smith, a former Louisiana State Trooper, knows first hand how trauma can change a person's life forever. He was involved in an armed confrontation in March 1986, in which he the felon was killed and he was left totally blind. He will discuss topics that include police personalities, post traumatic stress disorder, and dealing with the aftermath of violence and trauma.

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80 years of ads at the Progress

By ANITA BARRETT
Staff writer

Advertising is the financial structure of The Eastern Progress and since its inception in 1922, this structure has been very sound. The Progress operates primarily on advertising funds with only a small stipend from the university, making advertisements a crucial part of the paper. Here is a look back at advertising in The Progress during the 20s, 30s and 40s.

Ads were simpler in the 1920s. There were no fancy graphic designs and some did not even have pictures. Some ads didn't even display addresses or phone numbers for the businesses. When there were phone numbers however, they weren't the seven digit numbers we have today; they were only two to four digits long, due to the low number of people who actually had phones in those days.

The popularity of hats in the 20s sparked many ads in The Progress. The newspaper's first ad ever was for Richmond Millinery Company's Fisk and Gage hats. Other hat ads read "Straw Hat Time is Here" in the ad for R.C.H. Covington Co. with prices ranging from \$2.50-\$5.00; and "Buy Your Easter Hat Here" in the ad for E.V. Elder, a store that offered an advance showing of women's and misses' spring hats.

Other ad interests were dry cleaning, clothing and athletic goods. J.W. Cobb, The Tailor and The Sunny Side Tailor Shop offered delivery service for dry cleaning, alterations and pressing. The B.E. Belue Company advertised a "special reduction on all new spring goods, coats, dresses and millinery to students, and the Richmond Welch Store carried a full line of athletic goods, noting that a winning team requires "teamwork, good coaching and the right equipment."

The 1930s brought more ads to

The Progress. The ads in this decade were more diverse, including advertising for car and bus services, repair stores and food products.

Witt Motor Company offered Ford sales and service for cars and trucks. Texaco Service Station offered "washing-lubrication and simonizing, Firestone tires and accessories."

The Greyhound bus depot advertised rates for college students as low as 50 cents one way from

Richmond to Lexington, Ky, round trip for 85 cents.

River's Shoe Service delivered and specialized in "invisible half-soleing," claiming its service left a "No 'Repaired look'" on the shoes. Radio sales brought ads for repair shops such as Fixit Shop and the Madison Radio Co.

Coca-Cola made its debut in the 30s, advertising cola in a red cooler. The ad read, "Pause ... at the familiar red cooler for the pure refreshment of ice-cold Coca-Cola." The price for a bottle

of Coke in the 30s was only five cents.

Other food items included the Richmond Bakery, advertising "The Home of Maryland Biscuits," and Whitman's chocolates for Valentine's Day with a cupid sneaking in front a heart-shaped box, ready to shoot his arrow.

The ads in the 1940s modeled the era. Many ads featured patriotic themes to go along with the World War II effort. The United Department Store ad had an American flag and a war bond flag and the text read: "Keep it flying -Keep on buying! Our red white and blue means a happy life for you and those you love. That it may never be trampled by fascist invaders."

Another theme was fashion with ads featuring 39 cent chiffon sheers (panty hose), "right angles" on men's patterned suits and "frills and furbelows" on ladies' dresses at Penney's.

The advertising styles and products change each decade, but the important thing is that they keep coming in—at least for The Progress's sake.



This is the first ad that appeared in The Progress on Feb. 22, 1922.



Printed Oct. 31, 1939

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Printed in the Progress March 17, 1923

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Maryland looking like a winner

With only one team remaining from my Final Four picks, I have again proved that picking the NCAA tournament is not my thing. I have been entering brackets for several years now and haven't come close to winning one yet. Maryland is the only team still remaining that I picked, with Illinois, Ohio State and Duke all bowing out early.

Looking ahead to Saturday, we have Oklahoma and Indiana facing off in one semi-final, with Kansas and Maryland squaring off in the other.

Indiana has made my tournament by beating Duke, but I think their fun is about to end. The Sooners have looked very strong all season and my crystal ball is telling me they will once again come out on top and advance to the national championship game.

In the battle of No. 1 seeds, I guess I am forced to go with Maryland over Kansas to avoid being a hypocrite. Maryland's experience of being the only team in this year's Final Four to also be in last year's gives them the advantage over a Kansas team loaded with talent but short on experience.

In the title game of Oklahoma and Maryland, I have to give the edge to Maryland. Seniors Juan Dixon and Lonny Baxter have shown a tremendous desire in this tournament to step up big when the game is on the line. Oklahoma has very good inside play, but on the perimeter I don't believe they have enough to match up against Dixon and back-court mate Steve Blake.

While we're on the subject of tournaments, I have to give a call to Eastern's women for their spirited play in the WNIT. After a hard fought overtime game against Southwest Missouri State, the Colonels found themselves up 14 points against a Southeastern Conference power in Alabama before eventually dropping the game 99-77.

Giving the way the Lady Colonels lost in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament in a heart-breaking overtime loss to Austin Peay, it would have been very easy for the girls to just pack the season in and forget about it. But instead they came out poised and ready to win the WNIT. The credit should be given to coach Larry Inman for keeping his players ready even though they didn't know if they would be playing anymore.

Inman had the squad back in the gym practicing just days following its loss and it seemed to have paid off with an impressive showing in the tournament.



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Alabama ends tourney play

SEC powerhouse too much as Lady Colonels fall 99-77

By CASSANDRA KIRBY
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The women's basketball team ended its post-season tournament run March 17 with a home-court loss to Alabama, 99-77, at Alumni Coliseum in Richmond. The Lady Colonels advanced to the second round of the tournament after a 72-65 overtime win on March 13 against Southwest Missouri.

The Lady Colonels came out in the first half on fire with a 7-0 run topped off by a three-pointer by senior forward Charlotte Sizemore.

With the pep band and cheerleaders gone like the rest of students on Spring Break, the Colonels charged up the crowd of 625 fans with its own spirited play.

Eastern grabbed two steals and knocked down five field goals and two threes to grab its biggest lead of the game at 24-10 with 13 minutes to go in the first half. But Alabama at 19-11 for the season did not back down and slowly chipped away at the Colonels' lead by taking advantage of its height inside and the speed of Shondra Johnson, who ended up with 20 points on seven for eight shooting.

During the first half, the Ohio Valley Conference regular season champions gave the Southeastern

Conference team more than it could handle. Alabama managed to take a one-point lead to the locker room when it scored on a last-second lay-up off a fast break to end the first half, 46-45.

The second half was a different story, however, with Alabama dominating on both offense and defense and holding Eastern to only 34 percent in the second half. Still the Colonels fought back and got within one point at 51-52 with 17 minutes left. Alabama pulled away, however, with a fatal 18-9 run defeating the Colonels 99-77.

Sizemore led Eastern's scoring with 16 points followed by Katie Kelly's 14 points, Miranda Eckerle's 14 points and Mikki Bond's 11 points.

Beth Vice, a Mount Sterling, Ky. native recruited by Eastern before picking Alabama, poured in 13 points. Alabama advances to the third round of the WNIT against Michigan State March 19.

The Colonels ended the 2002 season with a 23-8 record. Coach Larry Inman was not disappointed in his team's performance.

"This was not the end we wanted as far as the score was concerned," he said, "But it was the end we wanted in terms of the effort and the hustle."

"We played to the end. We just came up short."



Steve Richardson/Progress

Senior Charlotte Sizemore knocks down two of her team high 16 points in the Lady Colonels loss to Alabama. Sizemore was one of four seniors who played their last game in McBrayer Arena on March 17.

Eastern advanced to the second round by defeating Southwest Missouri (16-13) in Springfield, Mo., in a 72-65 overtime win March 13.

The entire match against Southwest Missouri turned out to be more than just a game but instead a war as both teams kept it too close for comfort.

With under a minute left and Eastern down by three, fans were

left on the edge of their seats as the clock continued to unwind. Kelly came to the rescue, however, nailing a three-pointer with 8.2 seconds left on the clock to tie the score at 60-60. This shot marked the Lady Colonels' third overtime game in its last four contests.

Unlike the other overtime games, Eastern walked away with a 72-65 win—a win that advanced

the Colonels to the second round of the NIT.

Teresa McNair finished with a team high 19 points and five steals to go along with six rebounds, while Kelly added 16 points and three steals. Zoey Artist also reached double figures adding 10 points, while Sizemore grabbed a game-high nine rebounds and added eight points in the win for the Lady Colonels.

Men's golf dominates own tourney, wins by 22 strokes

By LEE CASWELL
Sports writer

The men's and women's golf teams were very busy during spring break. The men played in two tournaments and the women played in one. The men started the break off by travelling to Ocala, Fla., to compete in the El Diablo Classic. There were over 20 teams in the tournament.

The Colonels finished the first day of the tournament in ninth place but dropped three places to finish 12th in the tourney.

"The guys weren't really that sharp going into that tournament," men's coach Pat Stephens said. "I took it with a grain of salt because of that," Stephens added.

The Colonels finished the tourney with a 54 hole total of 901. The College of William and Mary won the El Diablo with a 883 total.

On a scale of difficulty for the course with a one being the easiest and a 10 being the highest, Stephens evaluated the course in Ocala. "I would rate the course an eight because it was really tight," Stephens said.

The top performers in the tournament for Eastern were Patrick Williams and Drew

Men's Golf

When: March 28-30

Where: Lexington

What: Johnny Owens Invitational

Women's Golf

When: March 30-April 2

Where: Buies Creek, NC.

What: Fighting Camel Classic

Alexander, who both shot a 224, tying them for the 29th place overall.

The men then came back to Richmond to compete in the Eastern Spring Invitational. Eastern would go on to dominate in the tournament, eventually winning by a massive 22 strokes. Eastern's team score of 575 was impressive. Its nearest competitor was Morehead State with a 597.

"I knew we could do it," coach Pat Stephens said. "As long as we didn't lose confidence at the El Diablo, I knew we could come home and win this," Stephens added.

Sam Covitz was the top performer for Eastern as well as the winner of the tournament. His two-under-par 142 was enough to take the win.

"Sam's a grinder. When the conditions get tough, he tends to

get tougher," coach Stephens said. "I'm really pleased with the way Sam has been playing," he added.

The women's break wasn't quite as successful as the men's. They traveled to Jacksonville, Ala., to compete in the Chris Banister Classic.

The Lady Colonels placed 11th in the tourney with a total team score of 686. Murray State won the tourney with a 639.

The top performers for the women were Jennifer Sullivan and Beth VanHoose. Sullivan placed 35th and shot a 171. VanHoose shot a 172 and placed 36th.

Next up for the women's team is the Fighting Camel Classic in Buies Creek, N.C. this upcoming weekend.

The men will travel to Lexington today to compete in the Johnny Owens Invitational.



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Sophomore Josh Crutcher tees off at Arlington golf course. Crutcher finished tied for eighth place in the ECU invitational with a final score of 146.

Softball's domination continues over break

By LEE CASWELL
Sports writer

While most of the student body was away having fun in the sun last week, the Eastern softball team made several road trips over the course of the break. The Colonels improved their overall record to 15-7 and remained perfect in conference play at 3-0.

The Colonels started the break off by travelling to Rock Hill, S.C. on March 15 to play in the Winthrop Invitational. There were over twenty teams competing in the tournament.

The team played Charleston Southern University in the first game of the tournament. Eastern put on a show in the second inning by recording eight runs. Eastern then closed out the game by scoring a run in the fifth inning. This run put into effect the eight run rule and the game ended 9-1.

"They had some injuries that held them back a little," Coach Jane Worthington said.

Jessica Soto picked up the win and Jonelle Csora had six strikeouts in only three innings, while

Elise Burch went 2-2 in the win.

The Colonels then went on to beat East Carolina University that evening 4-2. Csora pitched a complete game throwing 11 strikeouts and allowing only five hits. Csora improved her record to 6-3 on the season.

Both Amy Herrington and Megan Mills hit homeruns for the Colonels.

The team awoke the next morning to face a tough University of Illinois squad. Eastern was unable to handle the Illini, losing 1-0 in the match. The loss snapped the Colonels' six game winning streak. The Illini scored the winning run in the seventh inning when Csora threw a wild pitch and an Illinois runner came in from third. Eastern only managed three hits in the contest.

Eastern then squared off against Campbell University. Eastern was leading 2-0 until the sixth inning when Campbell went on a hitting spree to bring in five runs. The deficit proved insurmountable for the Colonels as they lost 5-2.

Eastern again managed only

three hits in the outing. Jennifer Norris hit two solo home runs to account for both of Eastern's runs. Elise Burch also had a single.

"We can't hit well every game," coach Worthington said. "Fortunately, we've been able to hit well in most of our games this year. That day was just an off day for us," added Worthington.

Eastern was then scheduled to play East Tennessee State University on March 19 due to inclement weather.

Next up for the Colonels was Appalachian State. Eastern dominated in this contest, easily winning 8-1. Norris batted a perfect .1000 for the game, getting four hits in four at bats. Mills and Amber Berthoud each added two hits in the win.

"That game gave us a little confidence. We hadn't played in a few days, and we needed that win heading into play SEMO (Southeast Missouri State)," coach Worthington said.

Next the Colonels started off their OVC conference play with three wins over Southeast Missouri State. Eastern won the



Ryan Bertke/Progress

Colonel softball players celebrate after a win in Lexington on March 10. Pictured left Jonelle Csora, center Diana Barreras and right Amy (19) and Bethany Herrington. The team is a perfect 3-0 in conference play this season.

first game 3-2. Eastern took an early lead 3-0. Southeast threatened to rally back in the fifth inning when Dawn Piatino hit a two run homer. They would prove unable to surmount the deficit.

Csora struck out 12 and allowed only five hits in the win.

The next game was just as close with Eastern squeaking by 2-1. Soto picked up her fifth win of the season and also drove in Burch for the team's first run.

Bethany Herrington went 3-5 and had three RBI's in the match.

"Jonelle and Jessica had terrific games on Saturday," coach Worthington said. "Jonelle struck out twelve and Jessica struck out ten," she added.

In the third and final match Eastern put up a convincing win, defeating Southeast 7-1. Southeast scored its lone run in the second inning to take the lead 2-0. Eastern then put up an impressive five runs in the third

inning. The Colonels picked up the other two runs when Norris hit a double to bring in Diana Barreras and Burch.

"Jennifer has been hitting really well. She's still a little inconsistent, but she seems to be getting more and more confident with each game," Worthington said.

Burch led the Colonels' batting attack by going 4-4. Burch also had four RBI's. Norris and Bethany Herrington also added two hits for the Colonels.



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Freshman Natalie Garcia returns a serve at the Martin courts on Mar. 15 vs. Dayton. She earned the only win for the women in the game.

Tennis teams fall hard over break

By CASSONDRA KIRBY
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Coach Rob Oertel's men's and women's tennis teams had a rocky weekend as the men dropped two matches in Evansville, Ind., falling to Murray State (6-0) and University of Evansville (6-1), while the women fell to the University of Dayton, 6-1.

In a match that was shortened by the rain and completed Saturday, the men's tennis team (5-7 on the year) ended yet another match scoreless. As the Colonels fell to Murray State, 6-0, the number of the team's scoreless matches moved from six to seven.

"Murray is favored to win the Ohio Valley Conference this spring," Oertel said. "It would have been nice to get a win off of them, but they are just more talented than us."

Later that same day Eastern found itself down once again as the Colonels struggled but came up short in all matches but one, falling to Evansville, 6-1.

Freshman Billy Pfaffinger was Eastern's lone ranger winning the point for the Colonels by taking No. 6 singles (7-6 and 6-4) over Evansville's Derek Kincheloe.

Pfaffinger also teamed up with

Seth Hauser to win at No. 2 doubles against the Purple Aces, but Evansville came out on top in the doubles claiming more wins than the Colonels did.

"The two teams we played were simply better than us," Oertel said. "The guys played their hearts out and that's all I can ask of them."

The Lady Colonels (3-8 on the year) played part of the match outdoors at the Martin Hall courts before rain forced the remainder of the match to be held at the Greg Adams Indoor Tennis Center on campus.

The gloomy weather seemed to match Eastern's mood as its hopes of improving its record were dashed by the University of Dayton, 6-1.

"Dayton is one of the stronger teams on the schedule this year—probably the best that we've played this year," Oertel said.

Freshman Natalie Garcia claimed the Lady Colonels only point as she dominated Dayton's Rebecca Stanchin (4-6, 7-5, and 6-0).

Eastern's No. 2 doubles team, Garcia and junior Andie Hill, was leading the match against Dayton's No. 2 squad (4-3), but the match was ended since Dayton had already won the doubles point.

Rugby growing on campus

By COREY HALL
Sports editor

Rugby in America is growing like the leaves on trees these days. This phenomenon has reached campus in a big way. After not fielding a team for two seasons, in the fall of 2000, several students banded together to field one of the most competitive teams in the entire university.

Last semester the team compiled a 4-2 record, beating regional perennial rugby powers University of Kentucky, Western Kentucky University and Xavier. This season the team is off to an even better start, having won three of its first four games.

"We decided in January that our goal is to win the ORU (Ohio Rugby Union) D-three title and I think we have a real good chance," sophomore prop Richard Crask said.

The squad has been together for only two years with the majority of the players being freshman and sophomores. Senior members of the team did the coaching until this semester when Bruce Hill provided his services to the squad.

Hill has played rugby for 15 years and is a professor here at Eastern where he teaches insurance and risk management. He came to Eastern in '94 from Florida State where he played club rugby. When he got to Eastern he found out about the team in an unusual way.

"I was in O'Charley's one night and overheard a guy talking about rugby," Hill said. "I went over and introduced myself and a week later I was in here helping."

Hill's first coaching experience didn't turn out the way he had hoped because the team felt more like partying than playing. So Hill took a couple years off from coaching until this semester.

"I decided to come back because I realized that these guys were much more mature and wanted to win. Our leadership on this team makes my job easier," Hill said.

Over Spring Break, the 29-member team traveled to Nashville, Tenn. to compete in Nash Bash, a rugby festival that brings teams from all over the Midwest and East coast to com-



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Senior Flanker Jeremy Hopkins, No. 6, attempts to bring down a Cincinnati player on Nov. 10 at the Intramural fields.

pete against one another.

In the team's first match, Northern Illinois University provided the competition. Eastern jumped out to an early lead five minutes in, when senior Brian Driscoll received a pass from Jeff Zellen and scampered into the try-zone for five points. Eastern went on to score 34 unanswered points before finally winning 41-12.

"They weren't as tough as we had expected," Driscoll said. "We put our substitutes in the second half and I was really pleased with the way they performed."

In the second game, the Colonels took on Butler University. Superior offense and a stingy defense gave the Colonels their third win of the season 36-3. The only Butler offense came on a penalty kick.

Mike Birrell led the Colonel attack with seven points. Scoring once for five points and adding the extra points for two more. Fullback Jaime Ewton also contributed to the victory by catching the ball well and giving the team good field position the entire game.

"I was happy with the victory, but we need to work on our conditioning," co-captain Josh DeHart said after the game.

The Eastern squad opened this semester on March 2 against

game to be played but the wind remaining strong for all 80 minutes.

Three minutes into the game the Colonels scored on a penalty kick from 35-meters out by Driscoll. The game continued and the problems Eastern experienced the week before vanished.

Ball control and passing improved and the intensity from the Colonels kept the Blackstones from controlling the game. The score at halftime was 17-13, Lexington Blackstones.

"Lexington had more experience, but we hit them hard and played tough and that's how teams remember us," senior flanker Jeremy Hopkins said.

In the second half several goal line stands against the Blackstone offense kept the score close. Eastern players who scored were Perry Morton, Garrett Watson and Driscoll.

Blackstone center Matt Franklin, scored two try's and the Blackstones pulled away with 15 minutes to go, going on to win 39-20.

"We made improvements in our game and they're only a few things we need to work on," Hill said.

The Colonels play next in the Ohio Rugby Union Division III title tournament on April 13 and 14 in Columbus, Ohio. "We are going to shoot for the championship," Hill said. "If we play at the level we've been playing, I feel we have an excellent chance."

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